Subject: Venetian gold coins

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Metropolitan Museum of Art
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New York, City N.Y.

Gentlemen: —

Few years ago I went to my birthplace in Italy to see my mother and while I was there, a man found a treasure which contained gold coins, pearl-necklaces, ear-rings, precious-stones, etc.. and which mostly of them, were confiscated by the government.

But I happen to buy two of those gold coins which are of the "Venetian Republic" and of the fifteenth century and are very well preserved and look like if they were new.

Now, gentlemen, if you care to have in your collection these coins, being out of work for months, and of course in need of money to eat, with my wife, I would like to sell them to your "Museum," at any offer you would make to me.

Hoping that you would consider this, I remain

truly yours

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Mr. Gerard Quaremba
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Dear Sir:

Your letter to the Metropolitan Museum of Art has been referred to us for reply. For the most part Venetian gold coins of the ducat size are not rare. We do not care for these and we very much doubt if you could get over gold value for them. No one would buy them without seeing them.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator